

# WILSON PLANS U-BOAT SPEECH AT THE CAPITOL

### Will Speak in Congress Next Week, Asking Full Powers

## A PRECAUTIONARY MOVE

### President Hopes to Forestall Misunderstanding Abroad. Await Vienna Reply

LONDON, Feb. 21.—"The submarine menace is grave and is growing. It is not yet solved, but I am confident measures now being devised will gradually mitigate its seriousness," declared Sir Edward Carson, First Lord of the Admiralty, today. The Cabinet Minister made this statement in connection with the presentation of the naval estimates to the House of Commons. One of the provisions of the bill was for an increase of Britain's sailors to 400,000.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—President Wilson has definitely decided to go before Congress next week and ask for power to employ whatever agencies necessary in any emergency that might arise after the adjournment of that body. This was learned from high official circles today, although no formal announcement was made.

The President believes that in adopting this course he will do everything possible to avoid a widening of the breach between this country and Germany. It is his conviction that such a move would not appear as hostile in the eyes of Berlin as the calling together of Congress in special session once it had adjourned. That it is imperative that the President be clothed with ample power to act quickly when the expected emergency arises is recognized in all quarters; but it is generally felt that the course he has decided upon offers the smallest element of danger.

## FOR WAR TRAINING

It was also learned that there is a strong possibility of President Wilson openly advocating the immediate passage of universal military training legislation. Secretary of War Baker has an appointment to see the President later, and officials look for action within a short time.

Meanwhile the Austrian situation, admittedly serious, remains unchanged. The State Department had no information on the impression created at Vienna by Ambassador Penfield's aide memoir of yesterday, but there was still high hope that Austria would not abandon assurances given months ago that cruiser warfare rules would be obeyed.

No change of policy regarding armed ships has been announced. It could not be learned here whether the American Line in today dispatching one of its liners—the *Mongolia*—unarmed into the barred zone acted with any assurances from this Government. The abandoning of the *St. Louis*'s sailing led to belief here that that vessel, one of the finest in the country's mail service, might be needed later for naval purposes.

## U-BOAT ISSUE

On the heels of the sinking of the *Dalhousie* there was a general tightening of tension all along the line, as the real danger again shifted from collateral issues, such as the Yarrowdale prisoners, etc., back to the fundamental issue between Germany and the United States—the U-boat decree.

## "SCRAP OF PAPER" ISSUE NOW BEFORE AUSTRIA

BERLIN, Feb. 21.—The American request that Austria-Hungary set forth her exact attitude on the submarine war, which is apparently inevitable, it would imperil the relations between that country and the United States to a grave degree, according to opinion expressed in diplomatic circles. Austria-Hungary would be put in the position of supporting the acts of a Government whose diplomatic relations with America have already been severed by the belligerent.

If Austria-Hungary shows her determination to act in accord with Germany on this issue, it is accepted as a foregone conclusion in diplomatic circles that Austria-Hungary can do nothing more or less than support the declaration of ruthless submarine warfare issued by Germany on January 21. If this is done, it was pointed out, Austria-Hungary will be put in the position of setting aside the guarantee previously given the United States that no ships would be sunk without warning and that all passengers would be given an opportunity to escape.

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LORD MARMADUKE FURNESS He is studying the port of Philadelphia in the interest of a great English ship-owning corporation.

## ALEX AND BAKER MEET AGAIN TODAY

### Pitcher Will Make Final Effort to Settle Salary Difference With Phils' President

## CHIEF BENDER RELEASED

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL.

Grover Cleveland Alexander, the much-sought-for circus performer and headliner in the hold-out league, will make a final effort today to settle his little salary argument with the Philadelphia Baseball Club. Some time this afternoon he will meet President Baker and Pat Moran in the former's office and much talking will result. Alex is firm in his demands for a \$15,000 salary, and Baker, likewise, is adamant. It is doubtful if anything will be done, but both sides will have another opportunity to air their views, and perhaps a foundation will be laid for peace overtures in the future.

Although Alexander is carrying around a plaintive plea from Bill Pickens to join his circus, it is believed that he has an idea that matters will be fixed up in a few days. When asked of his plans this morning Joe said:

"If I sign with the Phillies I shall stay in this city until the team leaves for the South. If not, I suppose I shall have to take a trip to Chicago and see what this circus contract amounts to."

Other holdouts, however, are rapidly falling into line and a flock of contracts has arrived in the Phils' office. Papers bearing the signatures of Joe Vesceher, Eddie Burns, Dode Paskert and Eppa Rixey have been carefully filed away, and Fred Luders and Gavy Cravath have accepted the terms offered by the club. Their contracts are expected in a few days. Stock and Whitted, however, have not yet signed and nothing has been heard from them. Eddie Burns attached his signature to a two-year contract this morning.

Chief Albert Bender, one of the greatest twirlers of his day, was given his unconditional release this morning and the famous Indian now is on his way to the big league exit. Bender did not show up very well last year and with the large number of new twirlers on the staff, Pat Moran decided that he could not use him this season. Bender has not announced his plans, but probably will seek a managerial berth in the minors.

## PIGS IN CARS TOO LONG; B. AND O. MUST PAY \$1600

### Verdict by Agreement Against Road in Sixteen Cases; Acquittal in Six Others

Penalties of \$1600 were imposed upon the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company today by Judge Dickinson in the United States District Court for violations of the railroad law against the detention in railroad cars of hogs and cattle for more than twenty-eight consecutive hours without proper rest, feeding and watering. The Government brought more than twenty-five complaints and instituted as many civil actions to recover the maximum penalty of \$500 in each case.

Through an agreement between Assistant District Attorney Robert J. Sterrett and the Government were taken today in sixteen cases, while in six others the verdicts were given for the further alleged detention of hogs and cattle. In each of the sixteen cases Judge Dickinson ordered judgment for \$1600 in favor of the Government, or an aggregate of \$1600.

## SUES RAILROAD FOR DAMAGES

### Firm Seeks \$1602.60 for Loss of Nitric Acid in Freight Yard

The destruction by fire of 115 carboys of nitric acid while lying in the yard of the Lehigh Valley Railroad at Perth Amboy, N. J., on September 4, last, resulted today by Harrison Bros. & Co., Inc., the owner, to recover \$1602.60, the value of the chemical.

It is alleged that the fire was due to the rough handling of the carboys, which caused acid to leak out and oxidize and burst into flame. It is further alleged that the railroad was negligent in not inspecting the carboys for their shipping condition and in not providing a safe place for them to be stored over a week.

## BILL HOLLENBACK OUSTED AS COACH OF SYRACUSE

### Football Tutor Discharged Following Investigation by Chancellor Day

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Feb. 21.—Bill Hollenback, coach of the Syracuse University football team, today was discharged by the faculty, following an investigation by Chancellor Day. It is said that a strike of the players and adverse comment on the part of prominent alumni were responsible for the action. Hollenback has signed a contract for 1917 and probably will be paid in full.

## CAPT. THOMAS F. LONGAKER, CIVIL WAR VETERAN, DEAD

### Attache of Electrical Bureau and for Many Years a Clerk in the Custom House

Captain Thomas F. Longaker, Civil War veteran and clerk in the Electrical Bureau, died today at his home, 726 North Fourth street, after an illness of three weeks. He was seventy-nine years old.

Captain Longaker, who served throughout the Civil War, was wounded at the battle of Fredericksburg and made an enviable record as a soldier. He was a company commander in the Seventy-second Pennsylvania Volunteer Regiment.

Captain Longaker was born in Montgomery County. He was a member of G. A. R. Post No. 21, and took an active interest in army matters. Illness prevented him from marching in the parades of welcome for the Philadelphia National Guard regiments returning from the Mexican border. He had been employed in the fire operating room of the Electrical Bureau for a year, previous to that having been for fifteen years a Custom House clerk. He is survived by two brothers and a daughter, Miss Mae Longaker. Captain Longaker was a widower.

## PERSHING SUCCEEDS HIS DEAD SUPERIOR OFFICER

### Appointed Commander of Southern Department of United States Army, Vice Funston

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Brigadier General John J. Pershing, who commanded the American punitive expedition in Mexico, today was appointed to succeed the late General Funston as commander of the Southern Department of the United States Army.

With Funston's death two days ago, Brigadier General Pershing automatically assumed command of the department. Today the appointment by Secretary of War Baker makes him the Southern Department's permanent commander.

Pershing's promotion was decided upon at yesterday's meeting of the Cabinet, and announced at the War Department this afternoon.

## TEMPLE UNIVERSITY PROFS HURT IN AUTO ACCIDENT

### Wife of Dr. Milton F. Stauffer Injured, Together With Husband and Dean Laura H. Carnell

Dr. Laura H. Carnell, dean of the Temple University, and Prof. Milton F. Stauffer, head of the business school, and his wife were badly shaken up early today when a trolley car struck their automobile at Sixteenth street and Montgomery avenue.

The motorcar was whirled completely around and hurled upon the sidewalk, tossing the automobile party violently against the sides of the car. Doctor Carnell and Mrs. Stauffer were the most severely injured. Whether or not any bones were broken has not been determined. Doctor Carnell is at her home, 2136 North Camar street, under the care of a physician. Mrs. Stauffer also was taken to her home, 2228 North Park avenue, for treatment.

The motorcar was taking Doctor Carnell and his friends home from the annual play of the French class of the Temple University, at the Bellevue-Stratford. The chauffeur, who was not injured in the collision, was turning the corner at Sixteenth street when the trolley car, approaching rapidly from the west, struck the automobile.

There was little of the loud shrieking and moaning which marked yesterday's demonstration, but there was more of the low murmurings of threats of violence, spoken for the most part in foreign tongues.

## LITTLE ITALY MOURNS AT MRS. VITO'S FUNERAL

### Many Attend Church Service and Follow Body of Levatrice to Cemetery

Four carriages were used today to carry the flowers in the funeral procession of Mrs. Theresa Vito, Italian housewife, who was killed last week by a trolley car while hurrying to assist at the coming of the stork at a neighbor's house.

At least 500 Italians attended the funeral services for Signora Vito, which were conducted by Father Isolari, at the Catholic church of St. Mary Magdalen de Pazzi, Montrose street, below Eighth. There the line of 100 automobiles and carriages journeyed for mass from the Vito home, at 726 Carpenter street, after which the procession went to Holy Cross Cemetery.

Mrs. Vito was killed at the junction of Seventh and Carpenter streets and Passyunk avenue by a northbound Seventh street car. She became confused in her haste, witnesses said.

## EIGHT MEN HAVE NARROW ESCAPE IN AMMONIA BLAST

### Workmen Engaged in Repairing Tanks at Dairy Flee When Explosion Shakes Neighborhood

Eight men employed in the plant of the Harrison Dairies, at Abigail and Amber streets, were nearly suffocated by ammonia fumes this afternoon, when one of the tanks which was being repaired exploded. The men fled in all directions and succeeded in getting to the street. The explosion was heard for blocks and for a while a mild panic prevailed.

The explosion was caused by heavy air pressure which came into contact with one of the condensers attached to one of the ammonia tanks.

Stabblers who heard the explosion and who were almost thrown from their feet remained at their posts until they succeeded in getting 110 horses quartered in a stable in the dairy out to the street.

# WOMEN GATHER IN N. Y. FOR NEW FOOD PROTEST

### Ask City to Appropriate Million and Sell Food-stuffs at Cost

## MAYOR TO MEET RIOTERS



MRS. JULIAN HEATH President of the National Housewives' League, who has called on President Wilson to relieve the food situation in New York.

## Vegetables Have Sowed to Unprecedented Mark

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—ALMOST unbelievable increases in prices of vegetables were announced today by Commissioner of Weights and Measures Hartigan following an exhaustive search and study of market conditions. Vegetables have formed the East Side's chief diet for months, meat having long since outdistanced the slender purses of the congested tenements.

	Price	Price
	Per 100 lbs.	Per 50 lbs.
Onions (100 lbs.)	\$14.00	\$2.50
Cabbage (ton)	160.00	11.00
Turnips (barrel)	3.30	1.50
Carrots (barrel)	4.00	2.00
Spinach (barrel)	5.00	1.75
Parsnips (barrel)	4.00	1.50

## CHICAGO, Feb. 21.

Declaring that the United States is confronted with a "national emergency," President J. P. Griffin, of the Chicago Board of Trade, today wired presidents of all eastern railroads, suggesting an immediate embargo on all commodities excepting foodstuffs, coal and other things necessary to sustain human and animal life. Griffin also addressed an urgent message to Chairman B. H. Meyer, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, asking for relief.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—Threatening a repetition of the Paris bread riots of 1791, several hundred women began gathering about City Hall at noon today for the second food demonstration in two days.

Not en masse, but in little groups of four and five they came straggling into the plaza and took their stand before the City Hall steps.

There was little of the loud shrieking and moaning which marked yesterday's demonstration, but there was more of the low murmurings of threats of violence, spoken for the most part in foreign tongues.

Mayor Mitchell sent out word that he would meet a delegation of three of the women, and Mrs. Ida Harris, president of the East Side Mothers' Vigilance Society, was chosen as chairman of the representatives.

Mrs. Harris said she would present an ultimatum to the Mayor, demanding that he at once take steps for an appropriation of a million dollars for the purchase of food to be sold at cost to the housewives.

On Saturday, Mrs. Harris said, 750,000 women would assemble at the City Hall so that city officials may hear their wails of protest against food costs.

City Hall doors have been locked during the day and all precautions taken. Mayor Mitchell said he would not comment on the food situation until after he had conferred with a delegation of housewives this afternoon. He did state, however, that he was in favor of municipal markets as a temporary relief.

The Mayor was considerably incensed because he had been criticized for being at a preparedness luncheon at the Astor Hotel yesterday, while the food riots were going on.

"The people of this town are very much more likely to be crying for bread if we do not have national preparedness," said the Mayor.

In an urgent telegram forwarded to President Wilson today, Mrs. Julian Heath, president of the National Housewives' League, called upon the President to use his "great influence to alleviate the situation."

It is the hope of the housewives that the President will use his influence to get an appropriation from Congress for a Federal investigation of food costs.

# QUICK NEWS

## BONDHOLDERS BUY IN MISSOURI PACIFIC FOR \$16,151,000

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 21.—The Missouri Pacific Railway was sold this afternoon for \$16,151,000. The property was bought by Robert E. Neilson and Duncan A. Holmes, both of New York, representing the reorganization committee of bondholders of the road. They were the only bidders bidding just above the lowest figure set by the United States District Court.

## SOUTHERN RAILWAY SEEKS \$25,000,000 NOTES

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—Southern Railway Company has sold to J. P. Morgan & Co., First National Bank and National City Bank, \$25,000,000 two-year five per cent notes to be dated March 1. These notes will be secured by the deposit of development and general mortgage bonds with the usual margin. A syndicate will promptly be formed in connection with the sale of notes.

## 'NO HOPE FOR COMPULSORY TRAINING BILL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Universal military service legislation will fall of passage at the present session of Congress, Senator Chamberlain, father of the movement, admitted today. A great drive will be started, he said, early in the next session to put the measure through.

## INTERNED GERMAN SHIPS AT HONOLULU RUINED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Every one of the eight German vessels warbought at Honolulu was ruined when this country broke diplomatic relations with Germany, the Department of Commerce was officially informed today.

## LACKAWANNA LIFTS WESTBOUND EMBARGO

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad has lifted its embargo on all westbound passenger and freight shipments from New York and all other points on its lines destined to points west of Buffalo. Also it has lifted embargoes on all westbound passenger and freight from connecting lines east of Buffalo for points west thereof.

## 500 DIE, 1500 HURT IN RUMANIAN TRAIN WRECK

BERLIN, Feb. 21.—Five hundred persons, mostly Rumanian refugees, were killed and about 1500 others were injured in a train wreck near Chirurich, in northern Rumania, says the Overseas News Agency today. The information is attributed to a dispatch in the Russian newspaper *Russkoye Slovo*. The train jumped the track and fire broke out in the telescoped cars, exploding a great quantity of ammunition on board.

## HOGS SELL AT HIGHEST PRICE IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—The price for hogs today smashed all previous high quotations by nearly a quarter of a dollar when the market opened at \$12.95 per 100 pounds. Pigs sold at \$11 per hundredweight. The latter price is the highest since the Civil War.

## AMERICANS FROM GERMANY REACH DENMARK

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—The State Department today was notified that the following Americans have reached Copenhagen from Germany: Mr. and Mrs. Conner and child, Carl Luetke, John McCall or Giers, Confidential Clerk Charles H. Achenbach, Fred Achenbach, special commissioner, Treasury Department, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Eichenberg.

## \$800,000 ASKED FOR MOTHERS' PENSIONS

The Legislature has asked an appropriation of \$800,000 to carry out the provisions of the mothers' pension act in Pennsylvania. Governor Brumbaugh has declared in favor of the appropriation. The bill was introduced by Representative Vickerman, of Allegheny County.

## PENN TO CONFER DEGREE ON BELGIAN RELIEF LEADER

Herbert C. Hoover, chairman of the Commission for Relief in Belgium, will be honored by the University of Pennsylvania at the annual University Day exercises tomorrow with the degree of doctor of laws, according to announcement just made by Provost Smith. Mr. Hoover is a graduate of Leland Stanford University, California.

## BRITAIN SEIZES ALL STOCKS OF LEATHER

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Consul General Skinner has advised the State Department by cable from London that the British War Office is taking over possession of leather stocks in England. "War Office," said Mr. Skinner's message, "takes possession of all leather, finished or unfinished, and intends to take possession of all such as can be produced prior to March 31. Order applies to vegetable tanned hides, butts, backs, half backs and sides." Mr. Skinner's dispatch added that Great Britain also has requisitioned all unsold stocks of raw jute in the United Kingdom and will take possession of all unsold stocks arriving after February 17.

## GUNS MOUNTED TO PROTECT CHESAPEAKE BAY

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 21.—Two five-inch guns have been taken to Cape Henry to be used in connection with the emergency fortifications to be built to protect the entrance to Chesapeake Bay. Other guns are expected to follow in a short time. Two five-inch guns were also received at Old Point and will be sent to Fishermen's Island, just inside the cape. Material is being rushed to this point for the erection of foundations for the big guns. Two companies of artillerymen will be stationed at Fishermen's Island.

## 'BONE DRY' GEORGIA IF REED BILL PASSES

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 21.—Governor Harris told a delegation of prohibitionists he would call an extra session of the Legislature to pass a "bone dry" bill should the Reed amendment to the postal bill, now before Congress, become a law. The Reed amendment would make it a crime to ship liquor into States which prohibit its manufacture or sale. Georgia laws now permit receipt of two quarts of liquor or forty-eight pints of beer or one gallon of wine every thirty days.

## MICHIGAN REPUBLICANS BACK WILSON'S STAND

DETROIT, Feb. 21.—Michigan Republicans in State convention here pledged themselves to stand behind President Wilson and Congress and to "accept promptly and loyally every national mandate to establish the rights of the people and the position of the nation."

# BIG TRANSPORT AND 11 VESSELS U-BOAT VICTIMS

### "Crowded Italian Steamship" Torpedoed in Mediterranean, Berlin Says

## LINER OCEANA IS SUNK

### Two Armed Craft With Supplies for Salonica Among Those Submerged

PARIS, Feb. 21.—The sinking of five ships was officially announced here today. They were the *Minas*, *Skogland*, *Giuseppe*, *Guido* and *Rosalie*. (The foregoing merchant ships were apparently sunk by German submarines in the barred zone waters. Heretofore Paris has kept silent on lost ships.)

## LONDON, Feb. 21.

The British sailing ship *Centurion*, 1828 tons, bound from Pensacola, Fla., for London, has been sunk in the barred zone. Lloyd's announced today. Her crew was saved. The *Centurion* sailed from Pensacola on December 31.

## BERLIN, Feb. 21.

Sinking in the Mediterranean of a "crowded Italian transport steamship," two armed steamships of 2000 and 4500 tons; the Italian liner *Oceana*, 4200 tons; the French steamship *Moventaux*, 3200 tons, and the French sailing ship *Aphrodite*, 600 tons, was announced in an official press bureau statement today.

The statement follows: In the barred zone waters of the Mediterranean in the last few days a large number of valuable hostile ships have been sunk. Among them were a crowded Italian transport and two armed steamships of respectively 3000 and 4500 tons, with important cargoes consigned to Salonica. In addition the following were sunk:

An Italian ocean-going steamship of 4200 tons; the French steamship *Moventaux*, of 3200 tons, and the French sailing ship *Aphrodite*, bound for Italy with 600 tons of iron.

German papers state that the success of the submarines is undoubtedly much larger, as a majority of the underwater boats have not yet reported.

Lloyd's does not list an Italian steamship named *Oceana*, but there is a steamship *Oceania*, of 4217 tons, owned by L. Pittaluga, of Genoa, which may be the one specified in the Berlin statement.

Neither of the other ships is listed, nor is there any name in Lloyd's register which might be mistaken for them.

PARIS, Feb. 21.—The *Matin* says that shipping returns for the week ending February 17 showed a daily average of arrivals at French ports of 198. The *Matin* adds: "This is a fresh proof that unrestricted submarine warfare has in no way restricted traffic at our ports."

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—The Italian steamship *Oceania*, 4200 tons, one of the ships apparently sunk by a submarine in the Mediterranean, sailed from this port for Gibraltar on January 27. Berlin reported also the destruction of the French ship *Moventaux*, 3200 tons, which was last reported as having sailed from Cardiff for an unnamed port.

## TEACHER KEPT MARRIAGE SECRET FOR TWO YEARS

### News of Miss Ethel Lee Prettyman's Wedding Great Surprise to Friends and Pupils

WILMINGTON, Del., Feb. 21.—Scores of friends, and hundreds of former pupils of Miss Ethel Lee Prettyman, now known as Mrs. Arthur Cleveland Huston, were surprised today when they learned for the first time of her marriage two years ago today.

The news of the wedding was made public today by the bride's mother, Mrs. M. J. Prettyman, 2302 Market street. For four years Miss Prettyman taught school at the Newport, Del., school. Two years ago today she went west where she would not be present. No one suspected the reason. Within a few days she was back at her desk.

Meanwhile, Miss Prettyman had gone to Camden, N. J., where she and Mr. Huston were married by the Rev. John Handley, a Methodist minister. Following the wedding there was a brief honeymoon. Then the couple returned to Delaware.

At that time Miss Prettyman lived at Newark, with her mother and brother, the Rev. E. C. Prettyman, State superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League. Mr. Huston lived at Seaford, Del.

By diplomatic moves, the couple had the bride's parents move to this city, where Mr. Huston has obtained work. For several months the couple lived with the bride's mother before she knew of her daughter's marriage. Mr. Huston agreed that the affair would remain a secret, as the young bride wished to continue her school work.

## WOULD-BE WAR NURSE RENDERED ILL BY SERUM

### New York Society Girl, Preparing to Aid Country, Took Anti-Typhoid Dose